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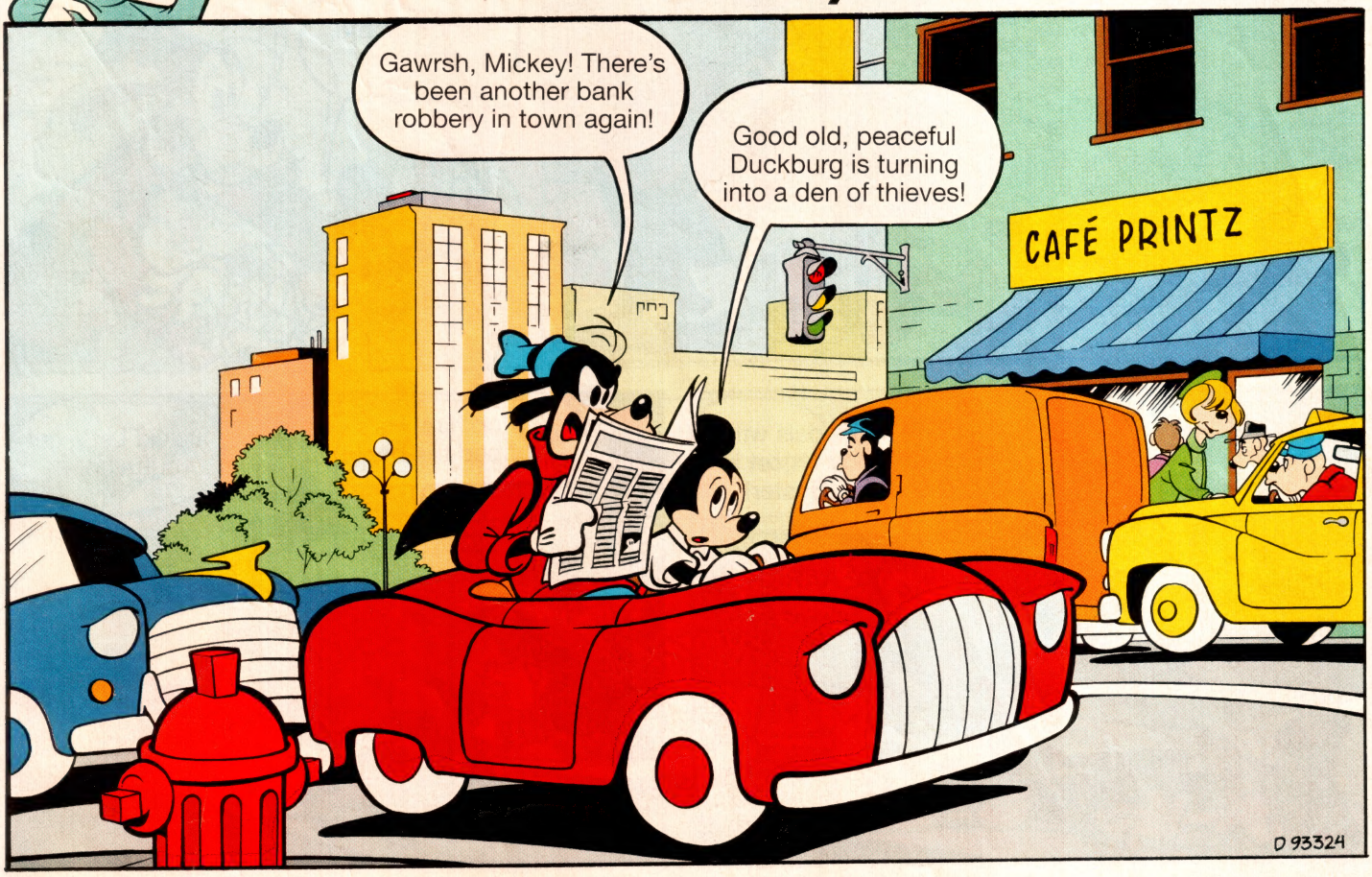
Mickey The Rat


Gawrsh, Mickey! There's been another bank robbery in town again!
Good old, peaceful Duckburg is turning into a den of thieves!
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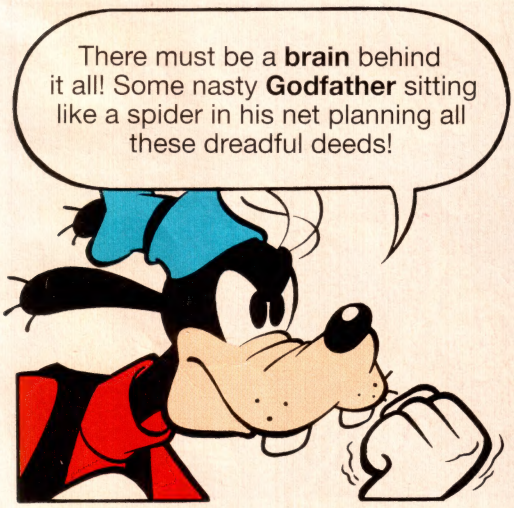
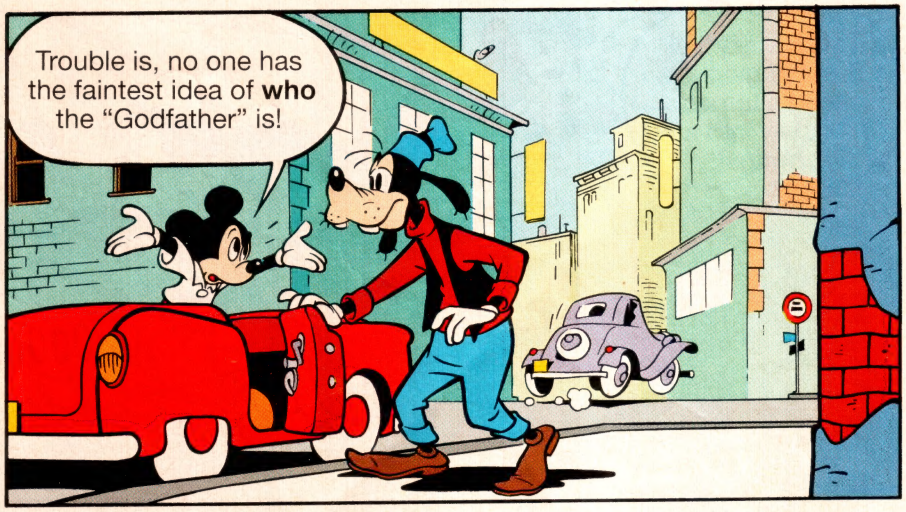
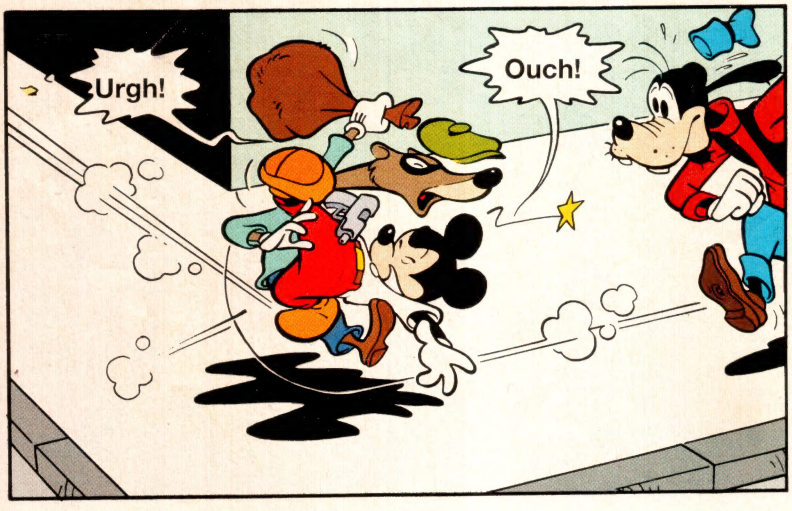
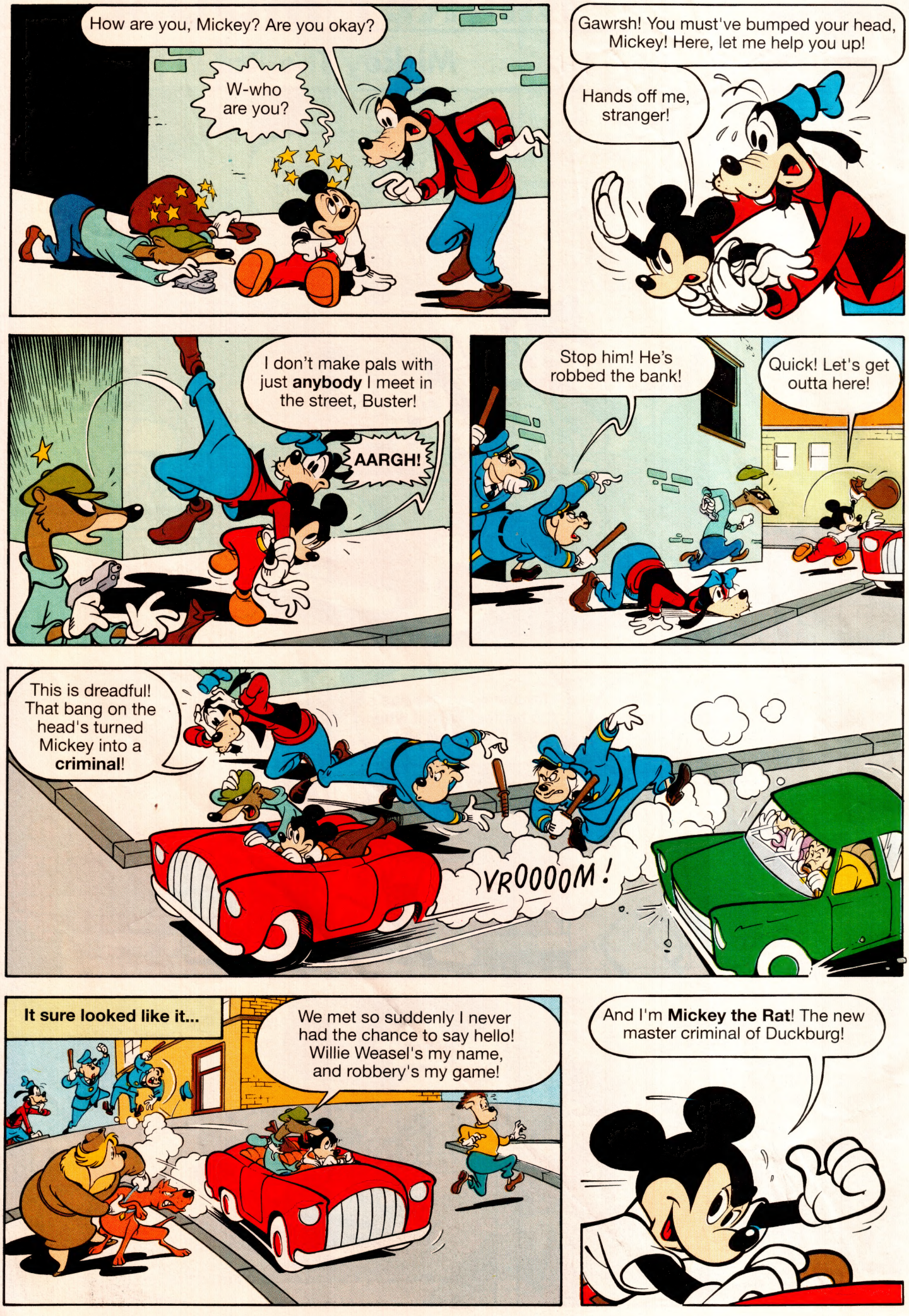
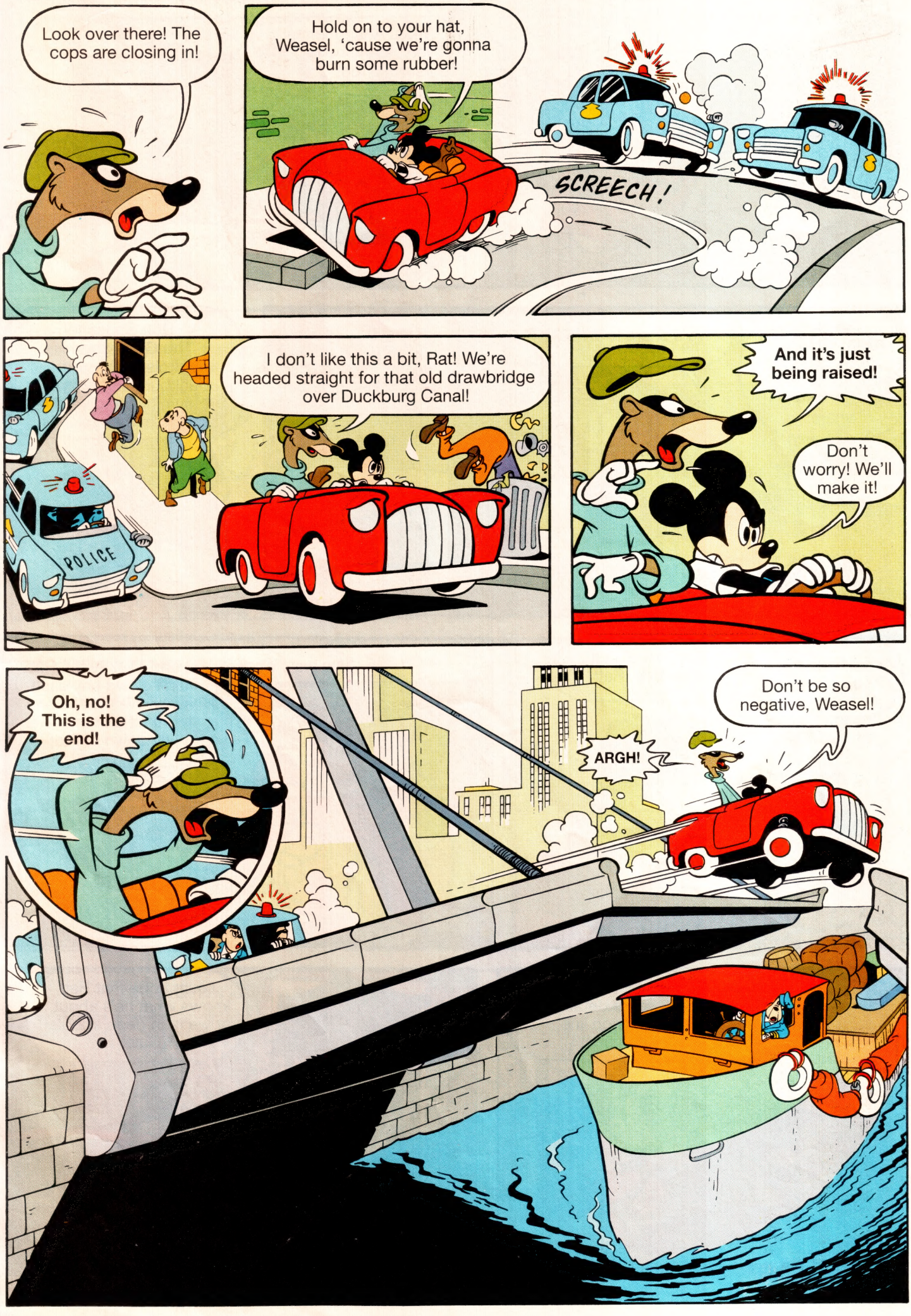
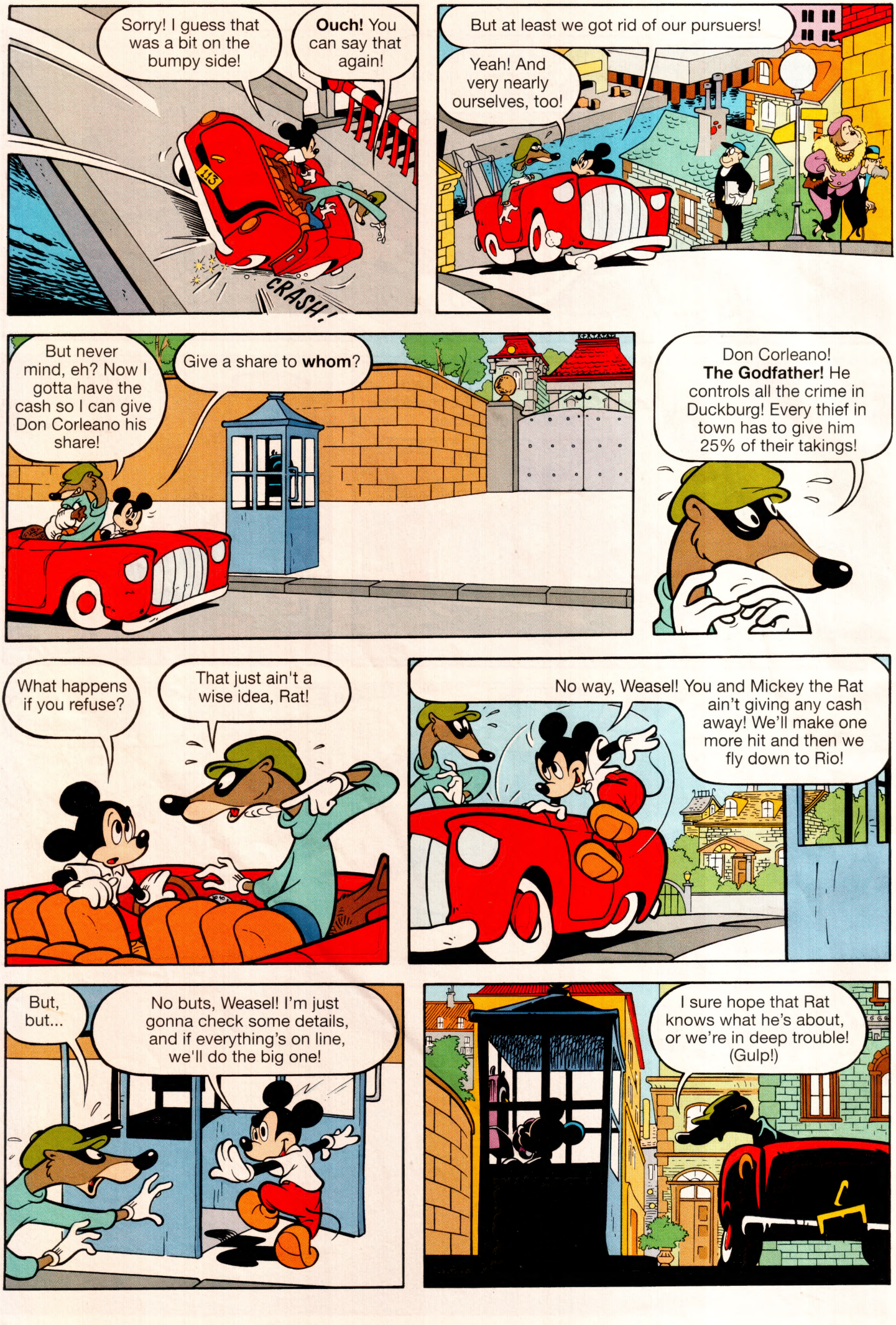

There must be a **brain** behind it all! Some nasty **Godfather** sitting like a spider in his net planning all these dreadful deeds!





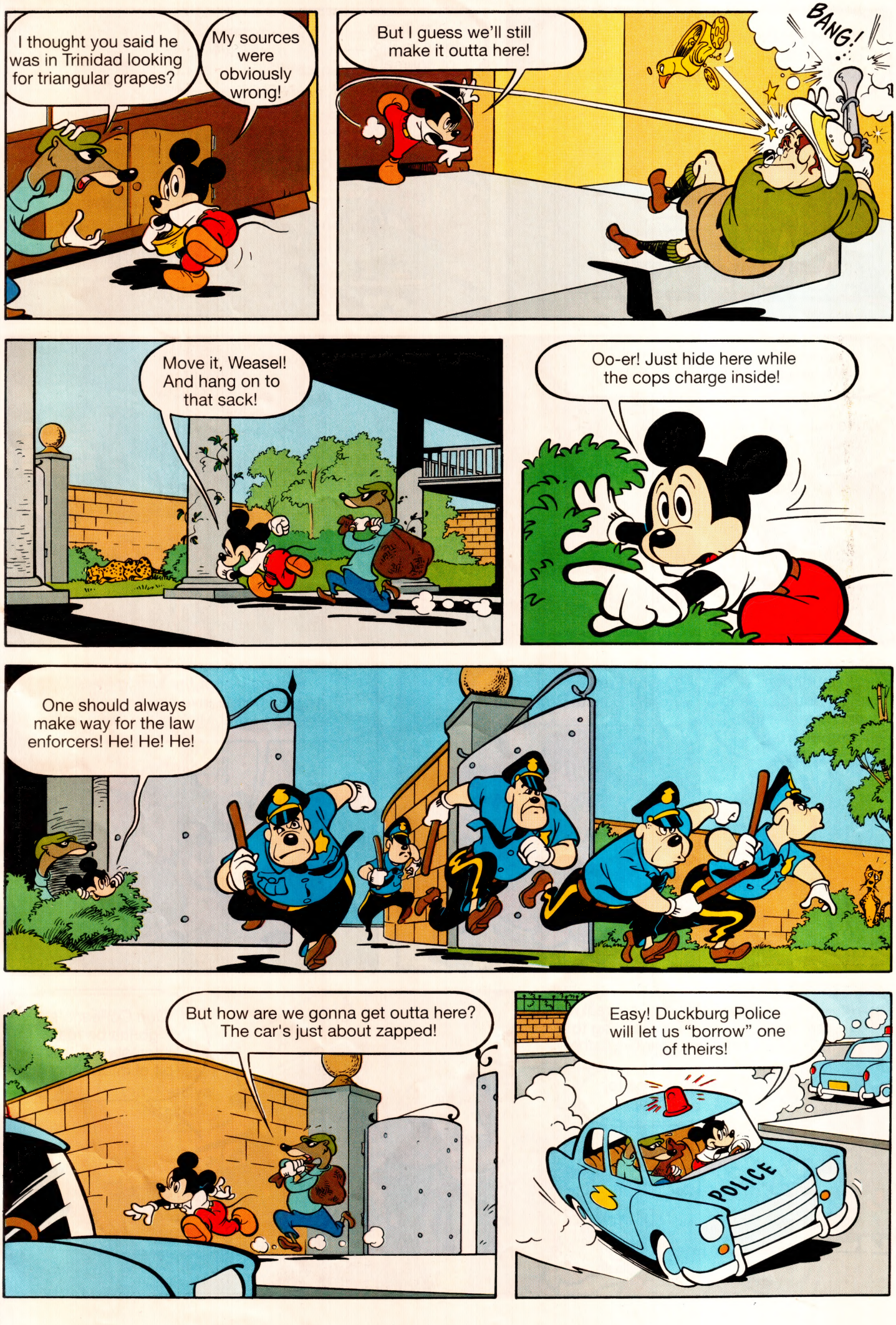

How are you, Mickey? Are you okay?
W-who are you?
Gawrsh! You must've bumped your head, Mickey! Here, let me help you up!
Hands off me, stranger!
I don't make pals with just **anybody** I meet in the street, Buster!
AARGH!
Stop him! He's robbed the bank!
Quick! Let's get outta here!
This is dreadful! That bang on the head's turned Mickey into a **criminal**!
VROOOOM!
It sure looked like it...
We met so suddenly I never had the chance to say hello! Willie Weasel's my name, and robbery's my game!
And I'm **Mickey the Rat**! The new master criminal of Duckburg!

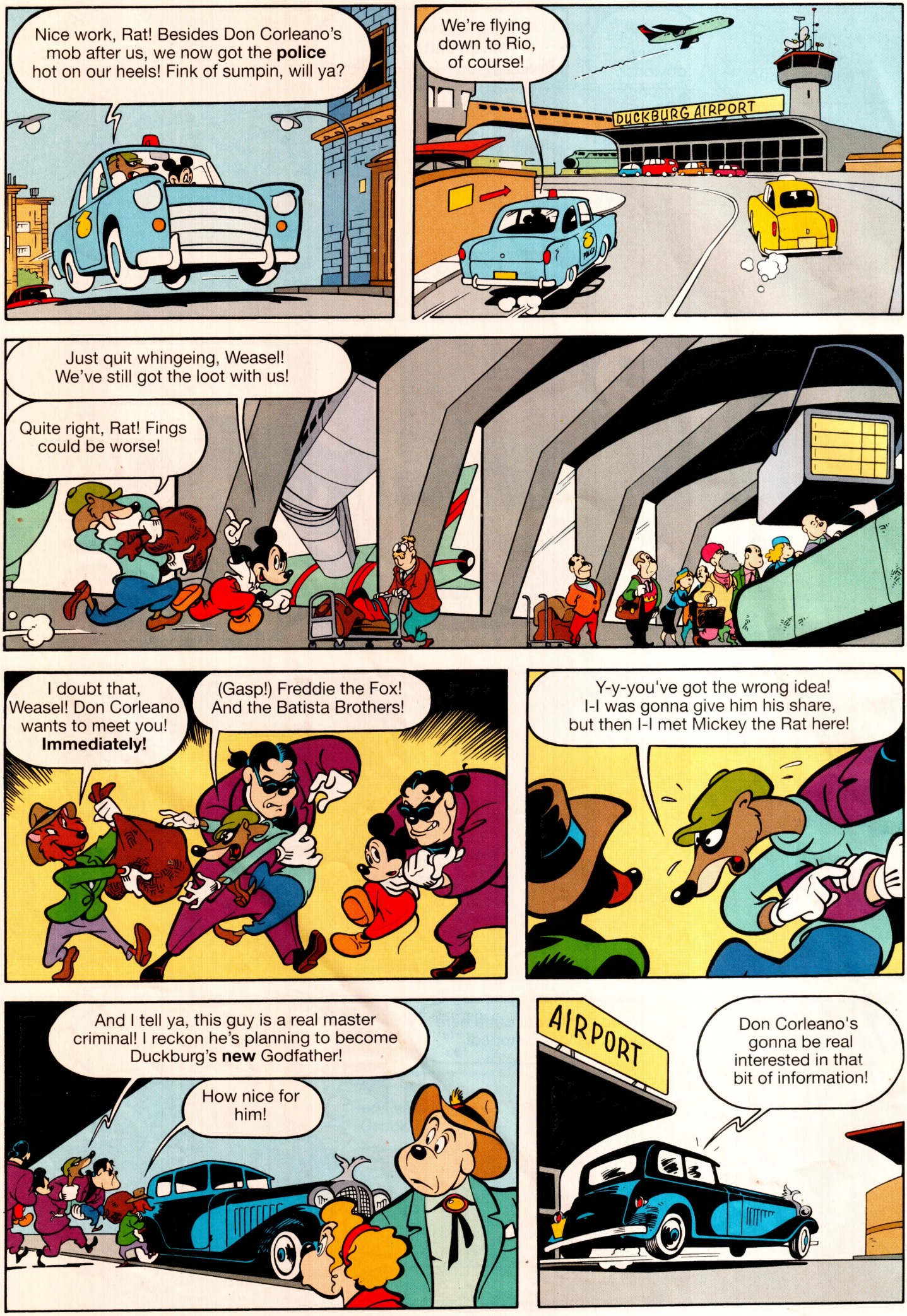

Look over there! The cops are closing in!
Hold on to your hat, Weasel, 'cause we're gonna burn some rubber!
SCREECH!
I don't like this a bit, Rat! We're headed straight for that old drawbridge over Duckburg Canal!
POLICE
And it's just being raised!
Don't worry! We'll make it!
Oh, no! This is the end!
ARGH!
Don't be so negative, Weasel!


Sorry! I guess that was a bit on the bumpy side!
Ouch! You can say that again!
CRASH!
But at least we got rid of our pursuers!
Yeah! And very nearly ourselves, too!
But never mind, eh? Now I gotta have the cash so I can give Don Corleano his share!
Give a share to **whom**?
Don Corleano! **The Godfather!** He controls all the crime in Duckburg! Every thief in town has to give him 25% of their takings!
What happens if you refuse?
That just ain't a wise idea, Rat!
No way, Weasel! You and Mickey the Rat ain't giving any cash away! We'll make one more hit and then we fly down to Rio!
But, but...
No buts, Weasel! I'm just gonna check some details, and if everything's on line, we'll do the big one!
I sure hope that Rat knows what he's about, or we're in deep trouble! (Gulp!)

Good news! I've just been told that the famous explorer, Percival Gruberto, has gone off to Peru to look for square eggs!
What's the big deal, Rat?
This is Percival Gruberto's place! Now help me get up on the wall!
I mean, has this Gruberto fellow got anything worth nicking?
I'll say he has! He owns the world's finest collection of Inca gold!
And my information is he doesn't employ any security guards to watch over his stuff!
P'haps he doesn't need any guards with **that** patrolling about his grounds!
See what I mean, Rat!
Sure thing, Weasel! That's a **cheetah**, the fastest mammal on this planet!
P'haps he's just a fast **vegetarian**...
GRAOWL!
Don't count on it, Weasel!

But if we're lucky he may be more interested in this chocolate!
SNIFF!
He probably thought that a beat-up old crook like you would be as tough as leather!
Watch your language, Rat!
Sorry, Weasel! Now let's see if we can get into this joint!
Wow! This pad's like some kinda museum!
And over there's the star attraction, pal!
Just look at all that gold! Don't it just warm your heart?
This is the crime of the century, Rat! We'll be rolling in money when we sell this loot!
I doubt that, gentlemen! 'Cause I've just phoned the police!
Per-Percival Gruberto!


I thought you said he was in Trinidad looking for triangular grapes?
My sources were obviously wrong!
But I guess we'll still make it outta here!
BANG!
Move it, Weasel! And hang on to that sack!
Oo-er! Just hide here while the cops charge inside!
One should always make way for the law enforcers! He! He! He!
But how are we gonna get outta here? The car's just about zapped!
Easy! Duckburg Police will let us "borrow" one of theirs!
POLICE


Nice work, Rat! Besides Don Corleano's mob after us, we now got the **police** hot on our heels! Fink of sumpin, will ya?
We're flying down to Rio, of course!
DUCKBURG AIRPORT
Just quit whingeing, Weasel! We've still got the loot with us!
Quite right, Rat! Fings could be worse!
I doubt that, Weasel! Don Corleano wants to meet you! **Immediately!**
(Gasp!) Freddie the Fox! And the Batista Brothers!
Y-y-you've got the wrong idea! I-I was gonna give him his share, but then I-I met Mickey the Rat here!
And I tell ya, this guy is a real master criminal! I reckon he's planning to become Duckburg's **new** Godfather!
How nice for him!
AIRPORT
Don Corleano's gonna be real interested in that bit of information!

Hello boys! It's me, Freddie!
I hope you've got Weasel with you! The Don wants to show him what happens to guys who double-cross him!
But I **haven't** double-crossed him! Surely he can't be mad just because I'm a bit... er... late!
Wrong Willie!
You're finished, Willie! And the same goes for your pal, Mickey the Bat, or whatever he's called!
My name's Mickey Mouse, and while we're getting acquainted I know some other people who'd like to meet you, Corleano!
Come in now, boys!
Okay! Nobody move!
CRASH!
Weasel, come and meet Sergeant De Bono!
B-b-but isn't that Percival Gruberto?
Nope! Mr Gruberto **really** is in Peru! That gave us the chance to arrange that **performance** in his house! And you must admit the sergeant was pretty convincing as an explorer!

So it was **Sergeant De Bono** you called from the telephone box! And after that the cops followed us right back here!
Dead right, Weasel! And as you were so helpful, I'm sure the judge will be lenient with you as far as your bank robbery is concerned!
But now you'll have to excuse me! I've got some explaining to do to a friend of mine!
Urgh!
Ouch!
Goofy!
Mickey! You're back to normal again! Thank goodness for that!
I've got some bad news... you probably don't remember, but you did some **illegal** stuff while you were dazed! We ought to go to the police and...
Nice work, Mickey! You can count on a hefty reward!
What?
Don't tell me you were in with them all the time, Mickey?
Well, Duckburg should be safer now!

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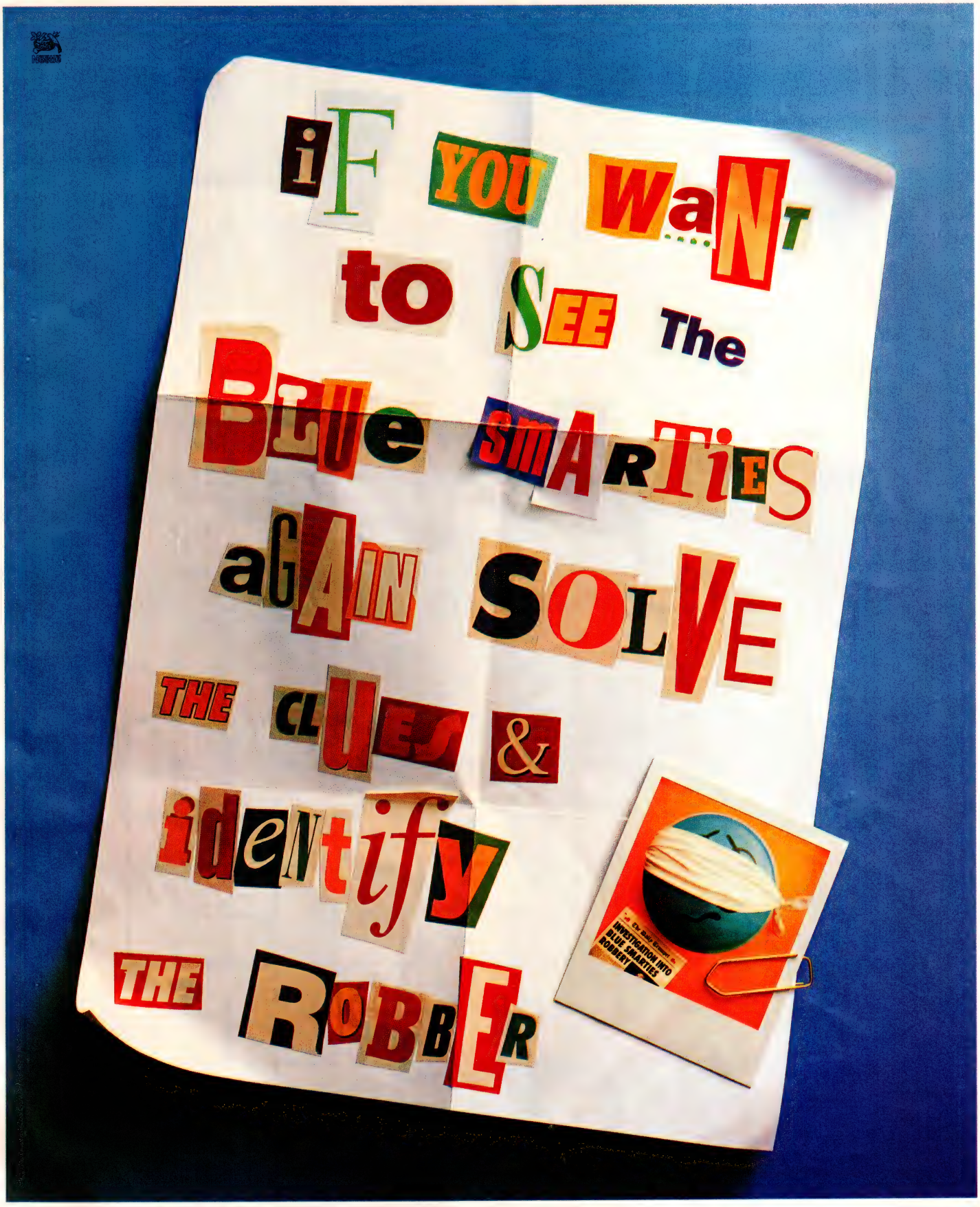

The Blue Smarties have been stolen! Will we ever see them again? We will if you help us. We need you to crack the clues on special packs of Smarties to work out who the robber is. Then, send us the name of your suspect along with your name, age and address and eight tokens from special packs to: Missing Blue Smarties, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne X, NE 85 7FQ. To start you off just cut out the photo of the Big Blue Smartie and use it as your first token. Everyone who helps us in our investigation will receive a brilliant 'Smarties Secret Message Pen'.

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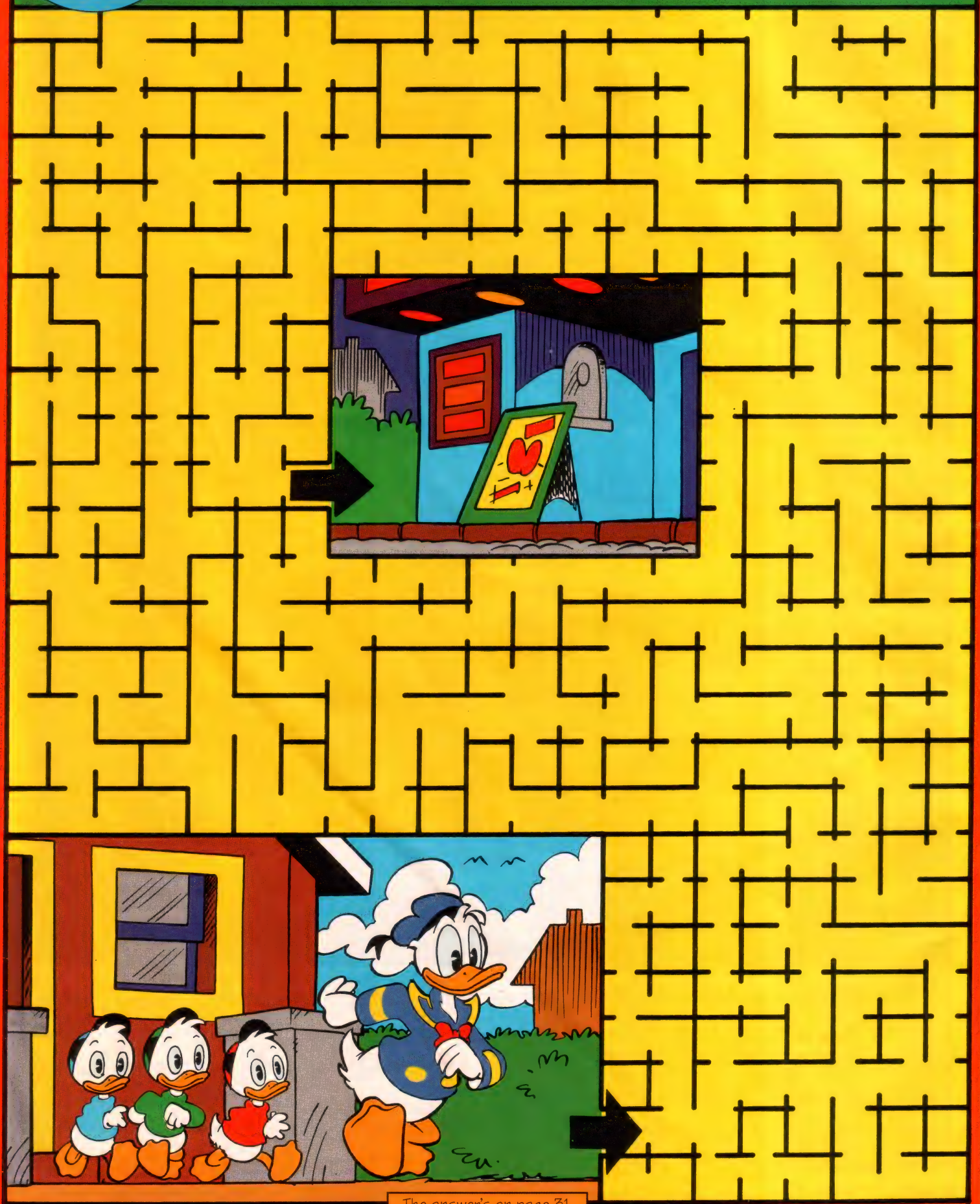
Please include 20p for p&p and allow 28 days for delivery. Offer open to all residents of the UK and Irish Republic except for employees of Nestlé UK Ltd.

MICKEY'S PUZZLES

OFF TO THE CINEMA!

Donald and his nephews are in a hurry to get to the pictures before the film starts. Can you help them through the maze, so that they'll get there in time?



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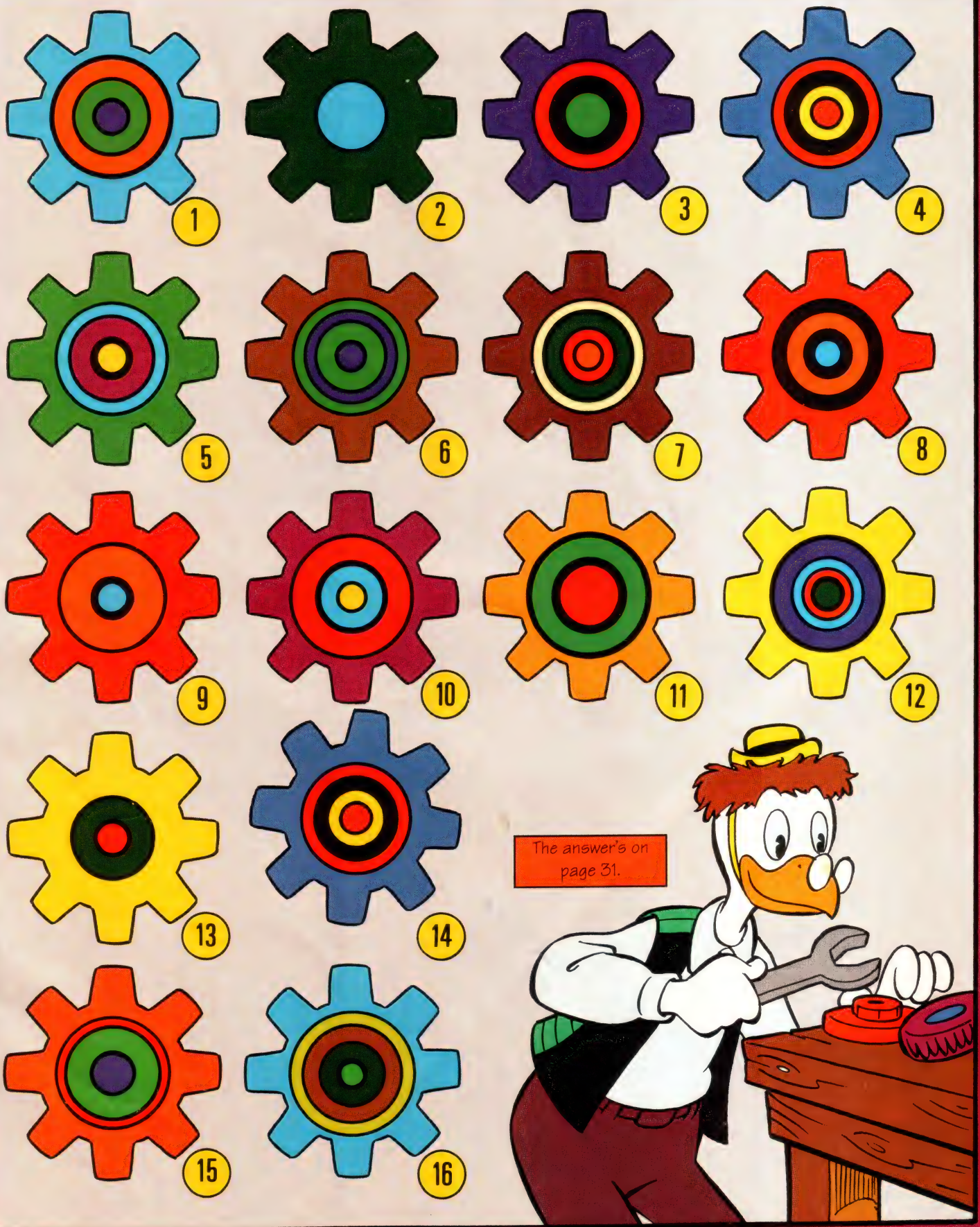
MATCH UP THE COGS!

Gyro, as usual, is busy inventing something!
He just needs two cogs that are exactly identical. Can you help him find them?



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I ♥ MY PACKED LUNCH!

Win a Donald Lunch Kit with the THERMOS® SURVEY

The school holidays will soon be coming to an unwelcome end....back to looking forward to the best part of the school day - lunchtime!

Because Thermos have always known about keeping food cool and fresh, they'd like to know what your favourite packed lunch contains. Do you like lots of fresh foods and a pure drink, or are you an unhealthy crisps, chocolate and fizz freak?

A nutritious, filling packed lunch and a healthy drink are very important during a hard day's school work, which is why Thermos have come up with a whole range of brilliant Lunch Kits with matching flasks to keep your lunch in.

Would you like a great new Lunch Kit this term? Just answer these questions to find out how healthy you are, then send us your answers on paper, along with your name and address, to Lunch Survey, Mickey's Mail, PO Box 61, London WC1H 9SG. The first 40 surveys picked out of the postbag after 17th September will each receive a Donald Duck Lunch Kit worth £5.99.

1. If you have sandwiches, what bread are they usually made with?
a) Wholemeal bread.
b) Softgrain bread.
c) White bread.

2. Of these three sandwich fillings, which would you choose?
a) Grated cheese with tomato.
b) Peanut butter.
c) Jam.

3. For a savoury extra, which of these would you choose?
a) A chicken drumstick with rice.
b) A pork pie.
c) A packet of crisps.

4. What 'pudding' would you include?
a) A piece of fresh fruit.
b) A fruit yoghurt.
c) A bar of chocolate.

5. What would you have to drink?
a) Fruit juice or milk.
b) A flavoured milk drink.
c) A sweet fizzy drink.

6. When are your sandwiches prepared?
a) In the morning, just before school.
b) The night before, kept in the fridge.
c) The night before, kept on the table.

7. What do you keep your packed lunch in?
a) A lunch box.
b) An old ice-cream tub.
c) A plastic bag.

8. What do you take your drink in?
a) A vacuum flask.
b) An old screw-top bottle.
c) A can.

Have you passed the healthy eating test? Thermos give you their thoughts on your answers:

Mostly a
Well done! You obviously know what's good for you and enjoy eating healthy food that's kept fresh. All your friends will admire you and your teeth, not to mention your new Lunch Kit, if you win one!

Mostly b
You've got the right idea, but you could be healthier! Fresh and pure foods are still filling and are much better for you than sweet or fatty foods. Your food and drink would also taste better if you had the right containers. Let's hope Donald comes to your rescue with a new Lunch Kit!

Mostly c
Oh, dear! Most of us have a soft spot for fatty foods and chocolate from time to time, but not every day! Well, you're brave to admit it. Perhaps you'll think again if you win a new Lunch Kit!

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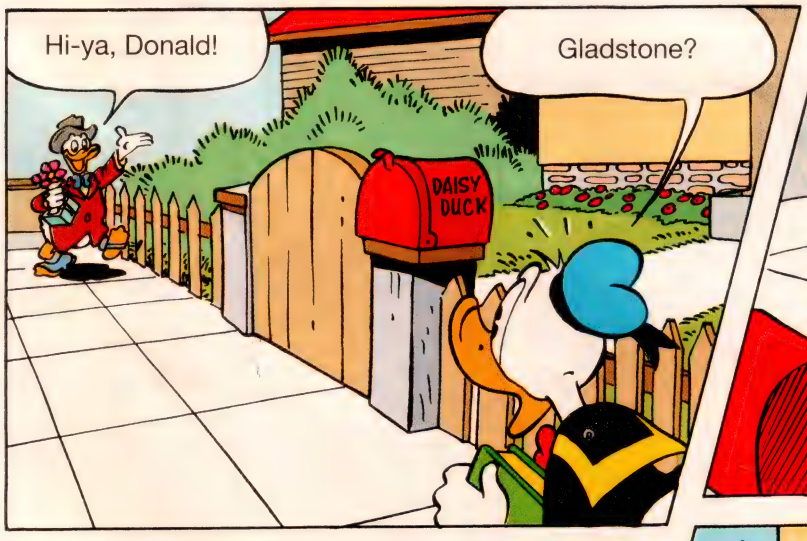
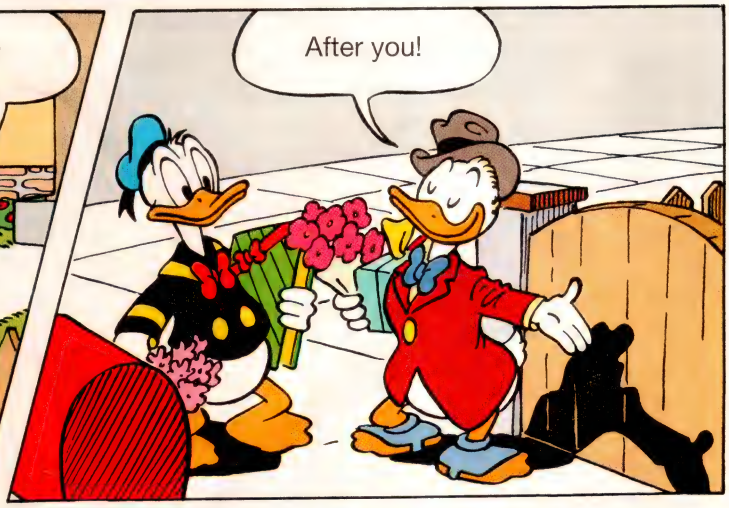
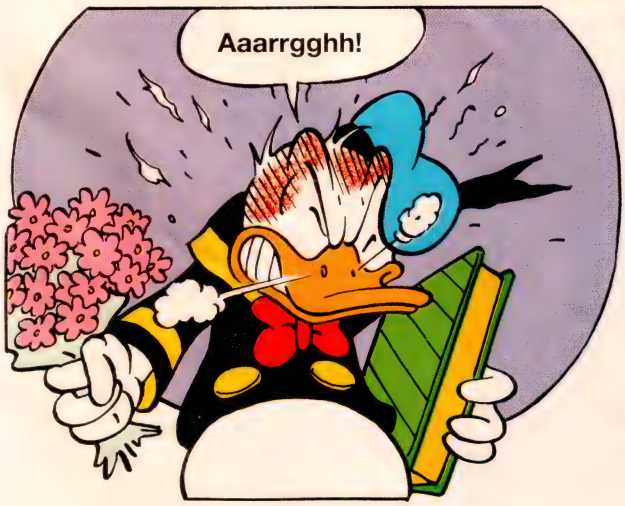
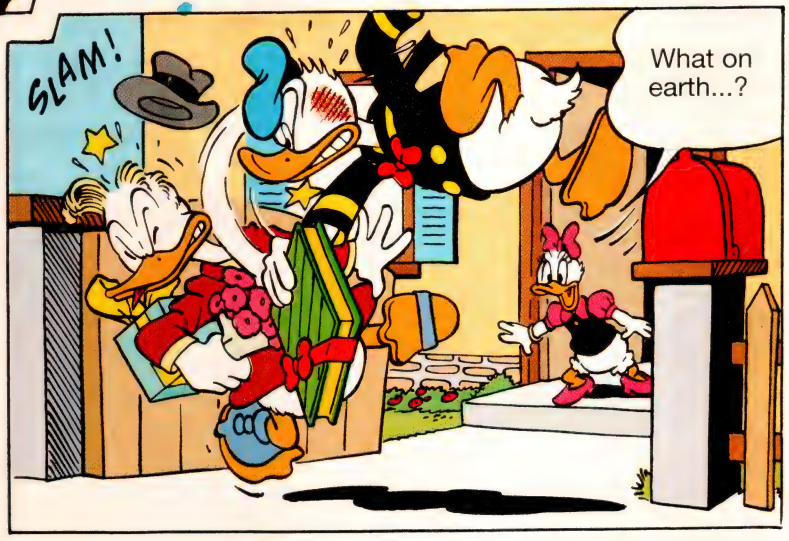
DONALD DUCK

I Have Been Here Before!

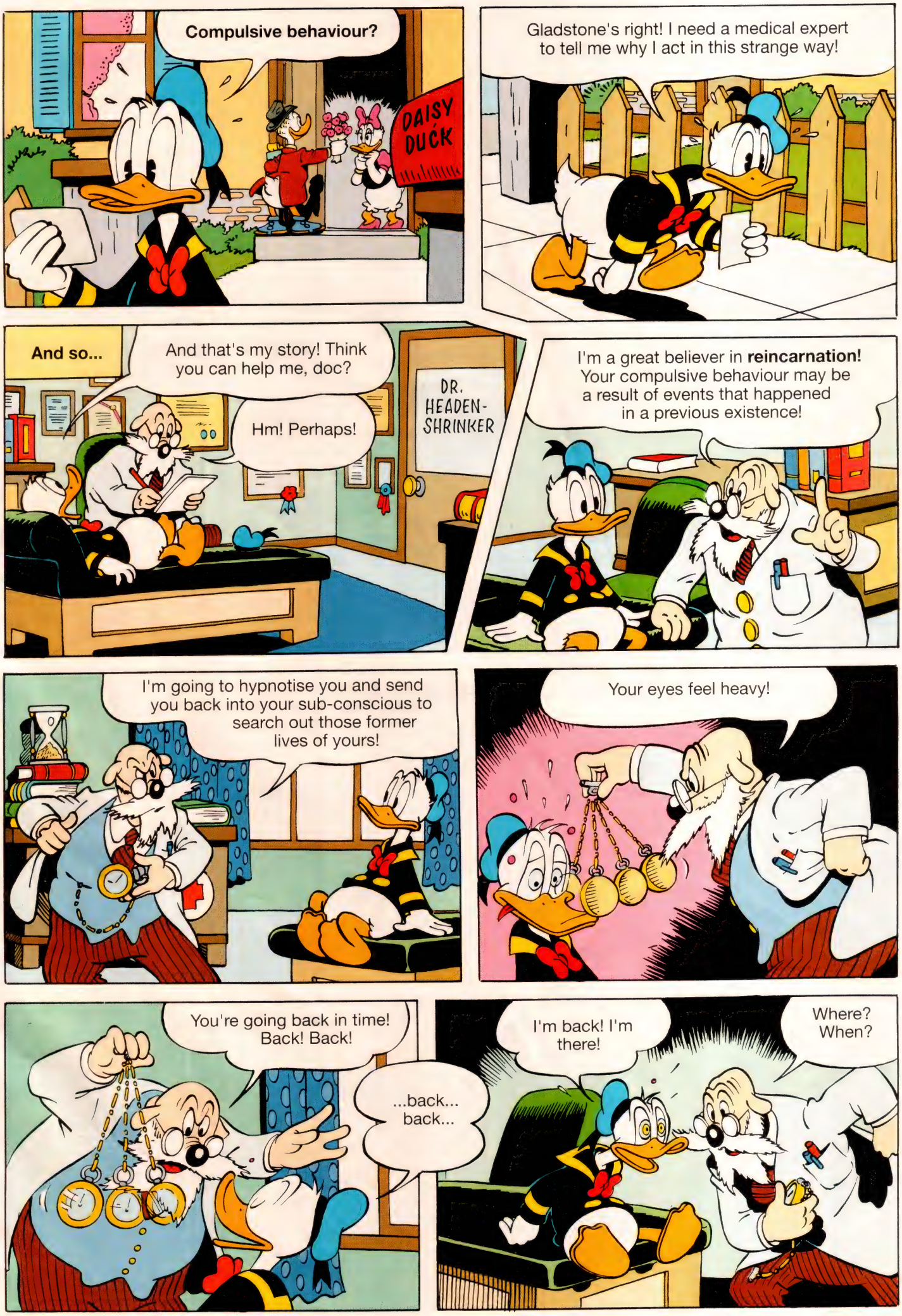




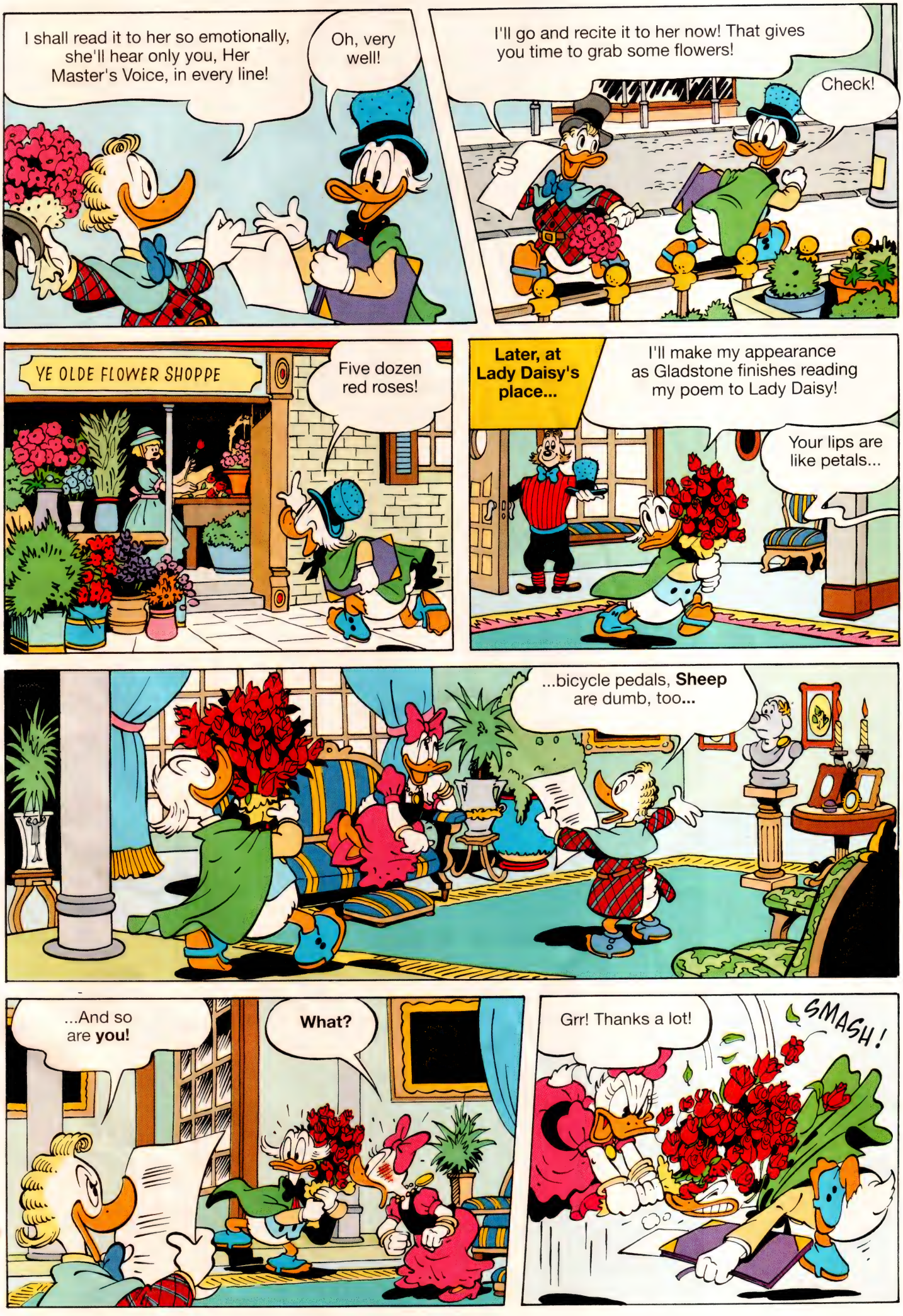


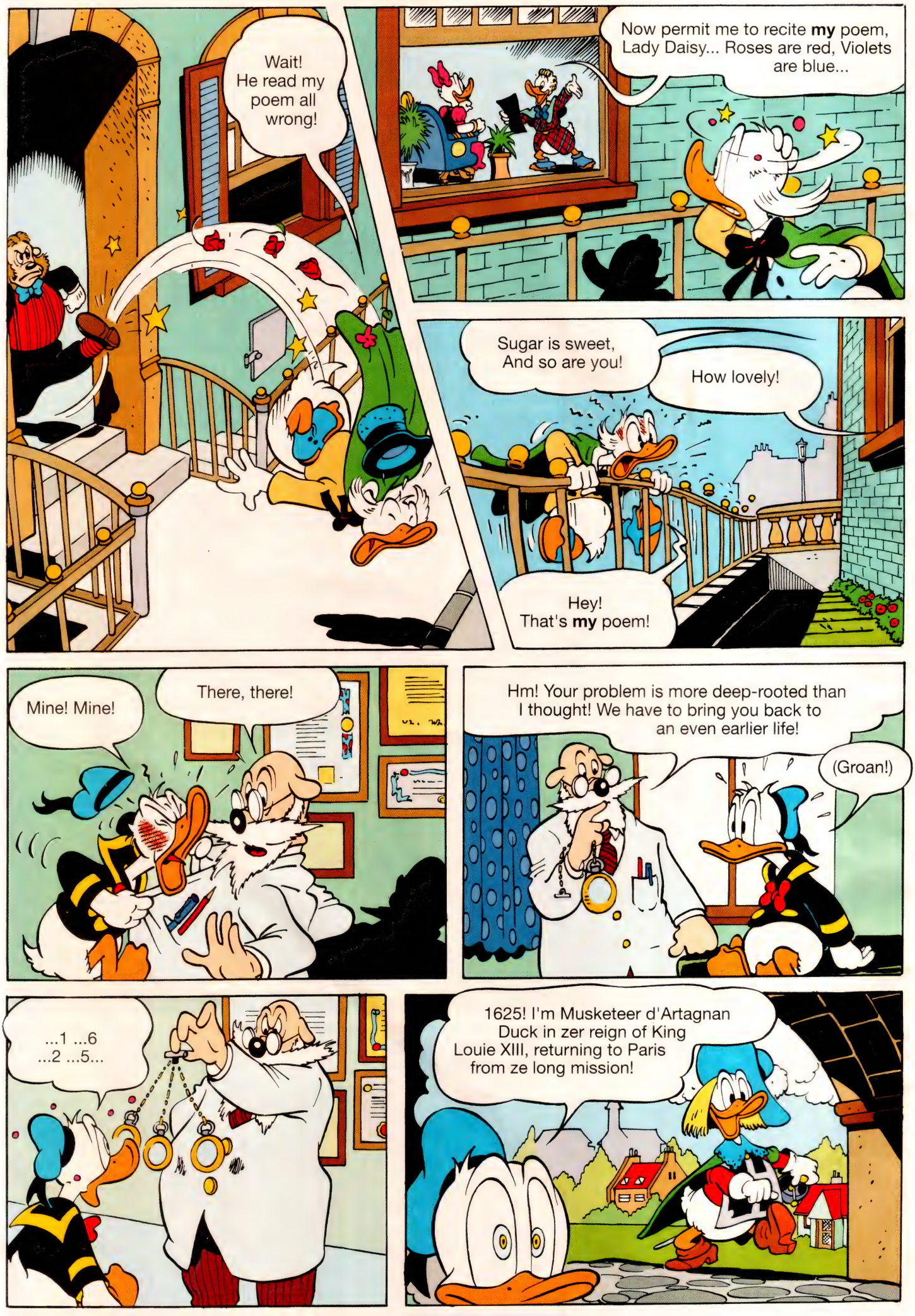


Stop it, Donald!
SMACK!
SMACK!
DAISY DUCK
Don't be such a bully, Donald!
For shame! What came over you?
I-I don't know!
It's like I've just come out of a terrible **nightmare!**
I'm sorry I hit you, Gladstone! As rivals, you and I have been in fights before...
...but there is no excuse for attacking you without any provocation!
Harrumph!
No hard feelings, old pal! Just a piece of advice!
Go see Dr Headenshrinker, a friend of mine! He specialises in compulsive behaviour!

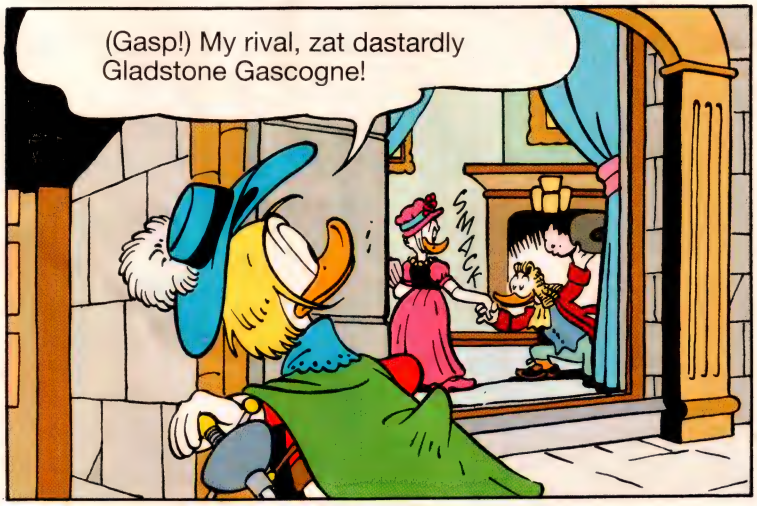

Compulsive behaviour?
DAISY DUCK
Gladstone's right! I need a medical expert to tell me why I act in this strange way!
And so...
And that's my story! Think you can help me, doc?
Hm! Perhaps!
DR. HEADEN-SHRINKER
I'm a great believer in reincarnation! Your compulsive behaviour may be a result of events that happened in a previous existence!
I'm going to hypnotise you and send you back into your sub-conscious to search out those former lives of yours!
Your eyes feel heavy!
You're going back in time! Back! Back!
...back... back...
I'm back! I'm there!
Where? When?

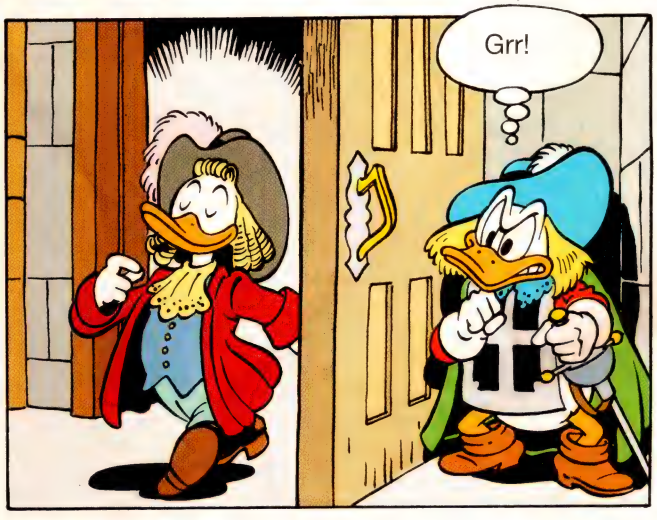
London! 1845!
PUB
And you! D'you know who you are?
I'm the great Victorian poet Lord Tennyson Duck!
"I'm on my way to visit Lady Daisy Duck of Wimpole Street!"
...Her eyes are like limpid limpets...
WIMPOLE ST.
Oops! I'm going to Lady Daisy's town house! You, too?
Me, too!
And you're not bringing flowers? Tsk! Tsk!
What I bring she'll appreciate much more!
My latest poem dedicated to her ...
Roses are red, Violets are blue, Sugar is sweet, And so are you!
Exquisite! It describes Lady Daisy to a T!
I beg of you, let me deliver it to her on your behalf!


I shall read it to her so emotionally, she'll hear only you, Her Master's Voice, in every line!
Oh, very well!
I'll go and recite it to her now! That gives you time to grab some flowers!
Check!
YE OLDE FLOWER SHOPPE
Five dozen red roses!
Later, at Lady Daisy's place...
I'll make my appearance as Gladstone finishes reading my poem to Lady Daisy!
Your lips are like petals...
...bicycle pedals, Sheep are dumb, too...
...And so are you!
What?
Grr! Thanks a lot!
SMASH!


Wait! He read my poem all wrong!
Now permit me to recite **my** poem, Lady Daisy... Roses are red, Violets are blue...
Sugar is sweet, And so are you!
How lovely!
Hey! That's **my** poem!
Mine! Mine!
There, there!
Hm! Your problem is more deep-rooted than I thought! We have to bring you back to an even earlier life!
(Groan!)
...1 ...6 ...2 ...5...
1625! I'm Musketeer d'Artagnan Duck in zer reign of King Louie XIII, returning to Paris from ze long mission!

My cherie, Daisy Carnard (French for duck), vill be 'appy to 'ear my latest tales of adventure and daring-do!


(Gasp!) My rival, zat dastardly Gladstone Gascogne!
SMACK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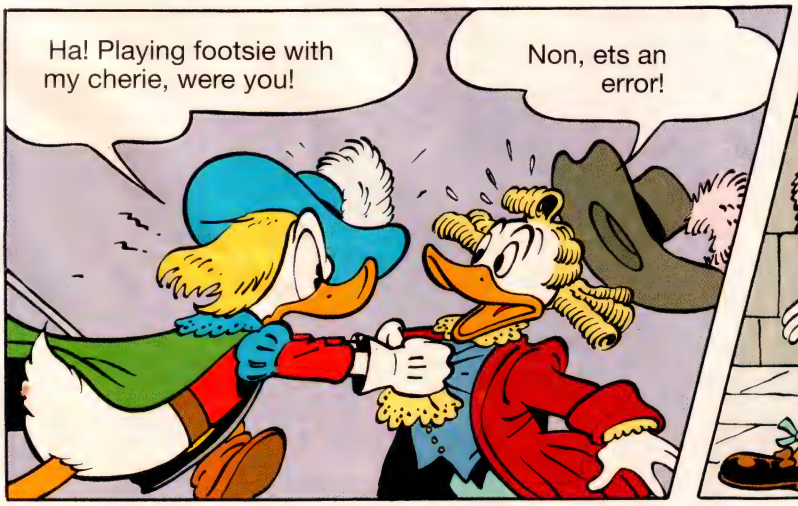
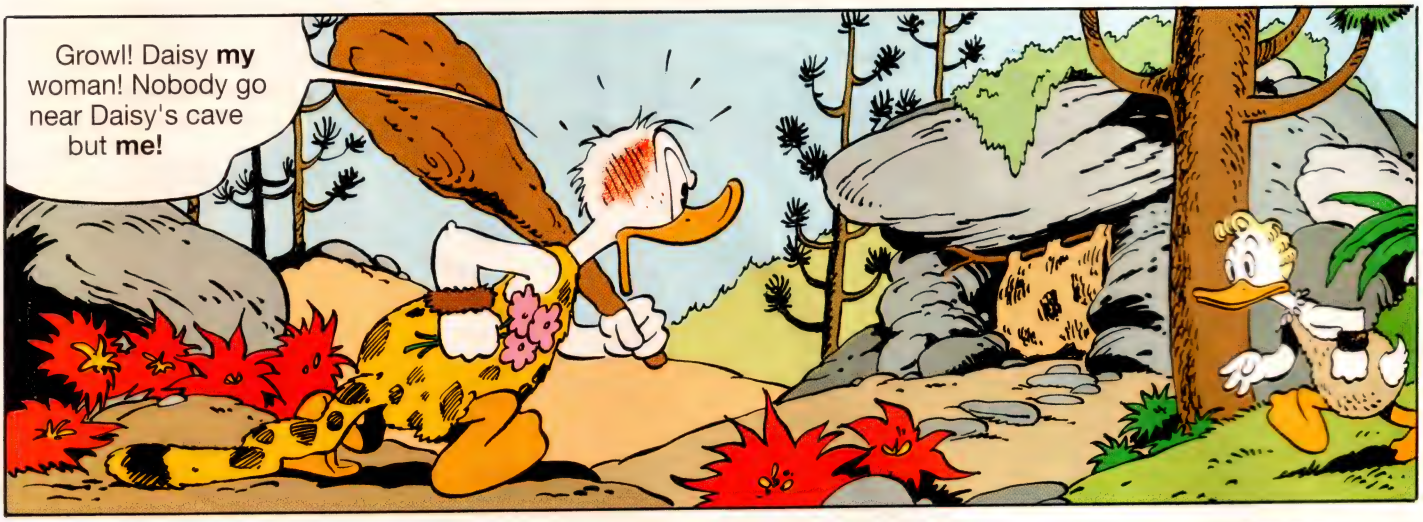
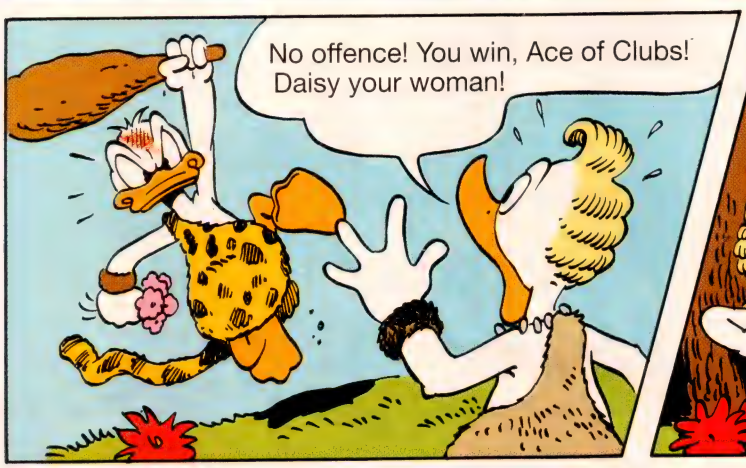

Ha! Playing footsie with my cherie, were you!
Non, ets an error!

I merely keep 'er company while you were on your valiant mission, d'Artagnan!

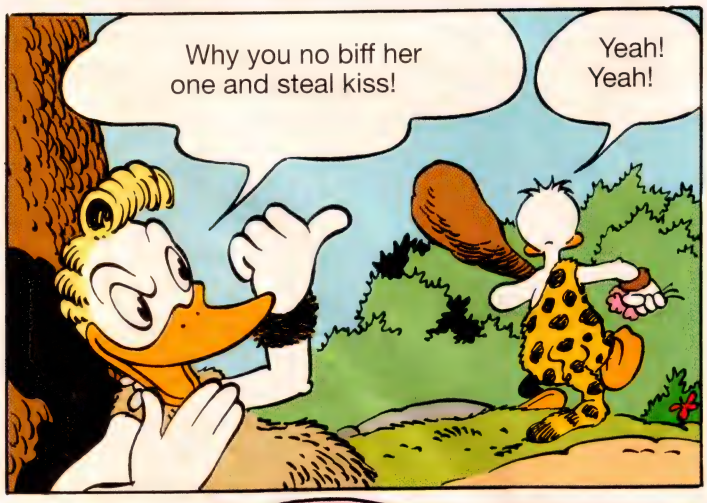
Today I was going to take 'er to zer theatre! But since you come back...
...you can now take your rightful place in the coach by 'er side!
But a word of friendly advice, d'Artagnan - polite manners 'ave improved since you went away!
Zis puddle, for instance... Mam'Selle Daisy vill vant you to throw your cloak over it so she won't get 'er feet wet!
D'Artagnan Duck! What a lovely surprise!
Zer pleasure is mine, Mam'selle Daisy Canard! Allow me!
Oooh, what exquisite **tres modern** manners!

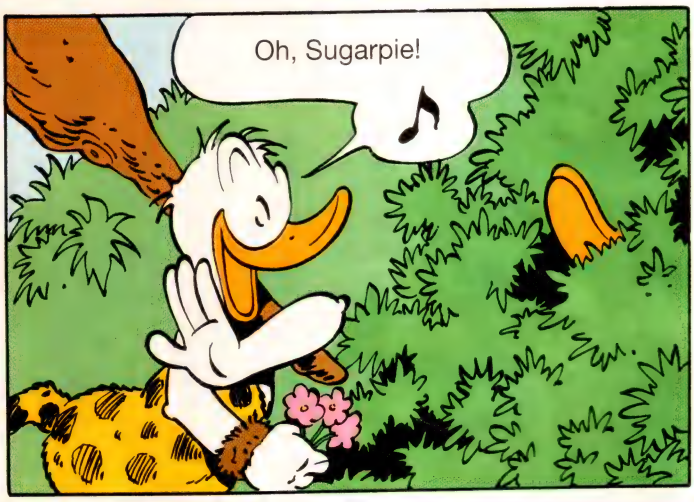
Eeeeeek! A hole!
SPLODGE!
Tsk! Tsk! I told you she would not think zat vas funny!
?
Gr!
I 'ope they send you on zer mission impossible next! (Sob!) I don't ever vant to see you again!
I vas just trying to be polite!
SLAM!
...be polite... be polite...
Whoa! Wake up, wake up!
Worse and worse! Your problem goes way back to pre-history!
You're floating in the mists of time long, long ago! You're going back as far as it's possible to go!
Wow! This must be 50,000 BC... at least!

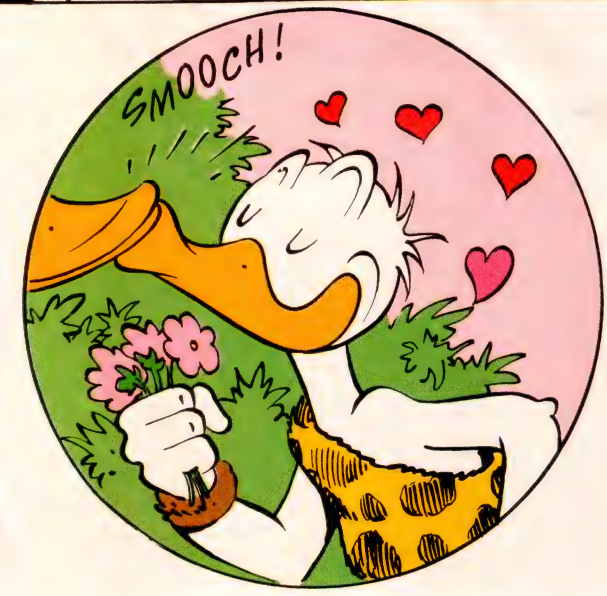

Growl! Daisy **my** woman! Nobody go near Daisy's cave but **me!**


No offence! You win, Ace of Clubs! Daisy your woman!

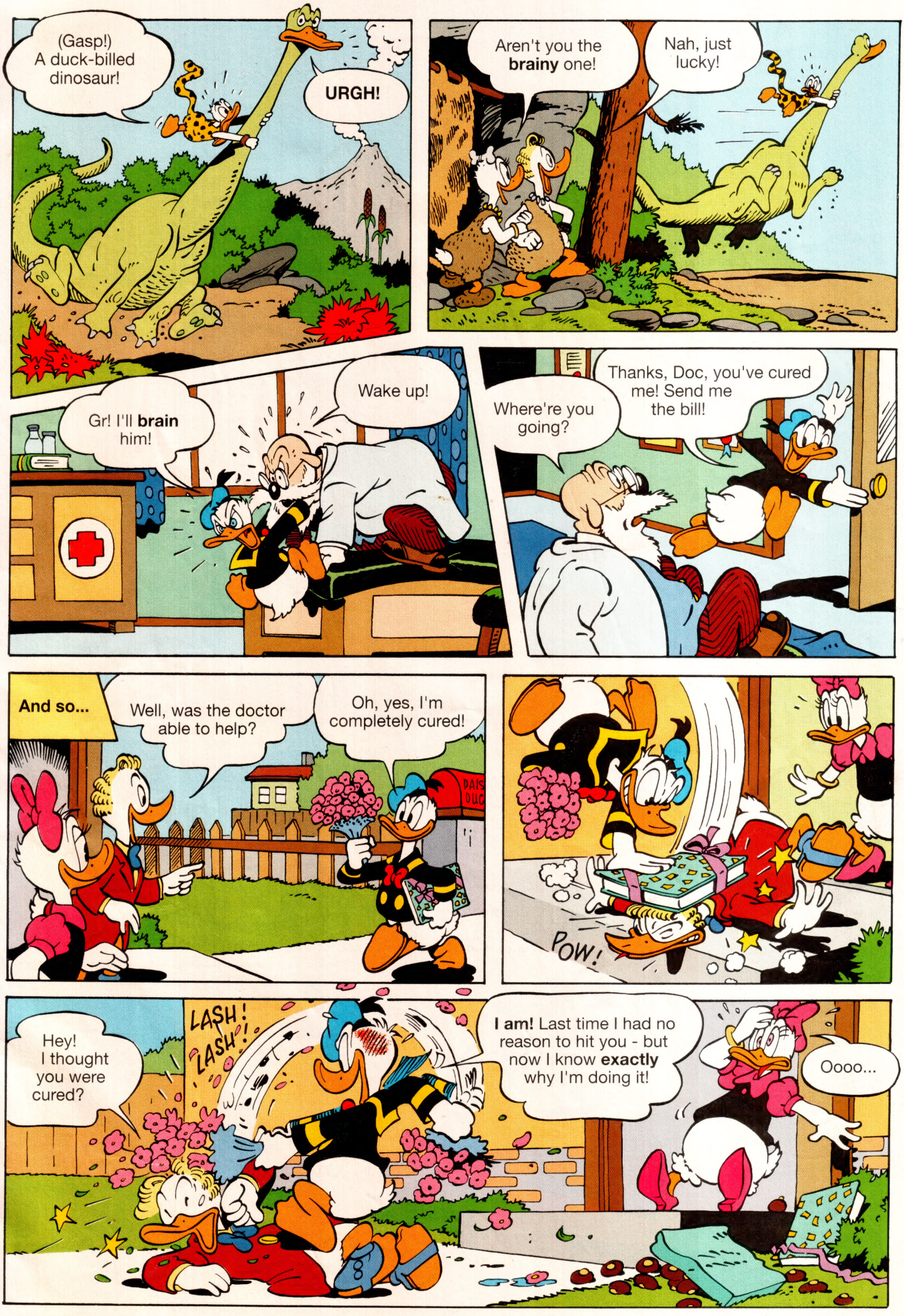
But she no in her cave! I just passed her playing hide and seek in bushes!


Why you no biff her one and steal kiss!
Yeah! Yeah!


Oh, Sugarpie!


SMOOCH!

Huh?!
ZIP!


(Gasp!) A duck-billed dinosaur!
URGH!
Aren't you the **brainy** one!
Nah, just lucky!
Gr! I'll **brain** him!
Wake up!
Where're you going?
Thanks, Doc, you've cured me! Send me the bill!
And so...
Well, was the doctor able to help?
Oh, yes, I'm completely cured!
POW!
Hey! I thought you were cured?
LASH! LASH!
I am! Last time I had no reason to hit you - but now I know **exactly** why I'm doing it!
Oooo...

HA HA SNIGGER TEE HEE

JUST JOKING

CHORTLE HO HO GIGGLE

It's the year of the game - so says **MB!** To celebrate, over the next few months we're giving you the chance to win one of MB Games' classics - **Operation, Ker-plunk, Connect 4** and **Splat**!

The game you can win this week is the hilarious battery-operated game of skill - **Operation**. One slip, the buzzer sounds and the nose lights up. The most successful surgeon wins the most money, and the game!

To try and win, send your favourite jokes to: Just Joking, Mickey's Mail, PO Box 61, London WC1H 9SG.

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STAR JOKE

This week's star prize goes to **Louise Colman**, Dublin.

Q: What do you call a crazy sheep?
A: Baamy!

Q: What pine has the sharpest needles?
A: A porcupine!
Lisa Maxted, Peterborough.

Teacher: Now, Jennifer, if I had five oranges in one hand and four in the other, what would I have?
Pupil: Big hands, Miss!
Richard Gough, Tonbridge.

Q: Why is your body like a prison?
A: Because it contains lots of cells!
Katie Dunleavy, Liverpool.

Teacher: Why are you crawling into the class, John?
Pupil: Because you said that no one was allowed to walk into your class late!
Yitschak Garson, London.

Bill: What kind of dog is that?
Will: He's a police dog.
Bill: He doesn't look like one to me.
Will: Of course not. He's in the secret service!
Paul Mitchall, Averly.

Q: Why does a tall man eat less than a small man?
A: Because he makes a little go a long way!
Jeremy Cole, North Stoke.

Q: What does a policeman take to bed with him?
A: His panda!
Jennifer Gould, Glasgow.

Knock, knock,
Who's there?
Noah.
Noah who?
Noah good place to eat?
Helen Simmonds, Foxton.

Q: When is an operation funny?
A: When it leaves you in stitches!
Lee Jones, Warwickshire.

Q: What animal eats the least?
A: A moth. It just eats holes!
Becky White, Leeds.

Q: Which travels more slowly - heat or cold?
A: Cold - you can catch a cold easily!
Julie Little, Chelmsford.

Teacher: Which month has twenty-eight days?
Pupil: They all have!
Jonathan Walker, Brixton.

Father: How did that window get broken?
Son: I was cleaning my catapult and it went off!
Peter Connor, Kent.

Q: What stays hot in the refrigerator?
A: Mustard!
Claire Williams, Stockport.

Q: When is a piece of wood like a queen?
A: When it is made into a ruler!
Sam Boud, Stratford.

TEST YOURSELF

Do you shake in your shoes when danger threatens - or are you lion-hearted? Here's your big chance to find out whether you're a hero or a heroine!

1 **Which of these would you most like to do?**

a Climb to the top of Mount Everest.
b A parachute jump from a great height.
c A bullfight - but only as a spectator!

2 **Someone yells: "There's a huge black beetle under my bed!" What do you say?**

a Hang about. I'll come and deal with it.
b Really? How big would you say it is?
c Really? Let's get outta here fast!

3 **Which of these three elements most fascinates you?**

a Fire.
b Water.
c Air.

4 **Which of these careers would you most fancy yourself in?**

a Sports reporter.
b Detective.
c Research scientist.

5 **You're in class, and you haven't done last night's homework. What do you say to your teacher?**

a I'm very sorry, I completely forgot about it.
b My dog chewed the very page I needed in my text book.
c Who are you? Where am I? Help! I've lost my memory!

HOW TO SCORE:

Award yourself 10 points for each **red** arrow answer you gave; five points for each **green** arrow, and 1 point for each **blue** arrow.

1 TO 15 POINTS:

You're not the stuff heroes or heroines are made of - but don't worry about that because you possibly have more sense than most! You don't make waves, prefer to merge into a crowd, don't take risks, and you could live longer than a lot of people!

16 TO 35 POINTS:

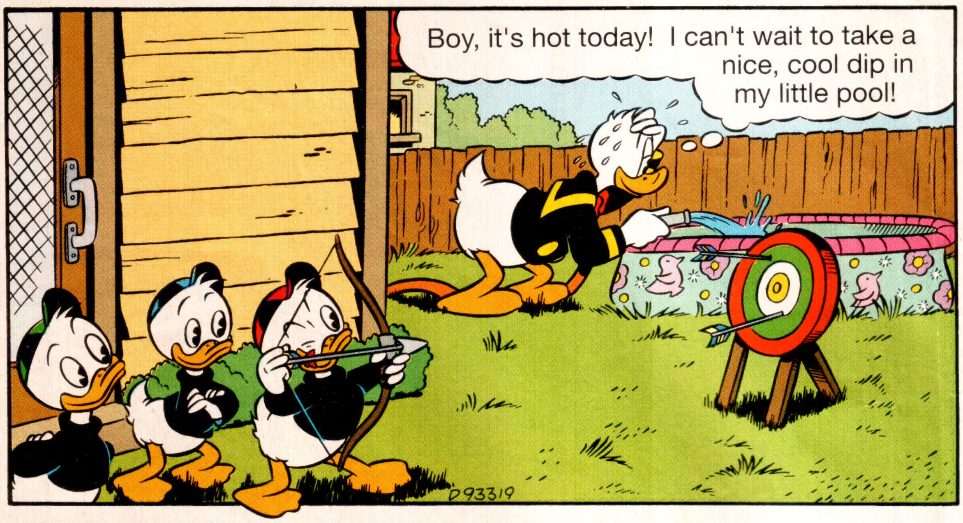
You'll take a risk when the occasion demands, but you're not likely to do anything stupid. You refuse to be panicked. You like to think things through in an emergency and you certainly wouldn't leap with both feet into any foolish situation.

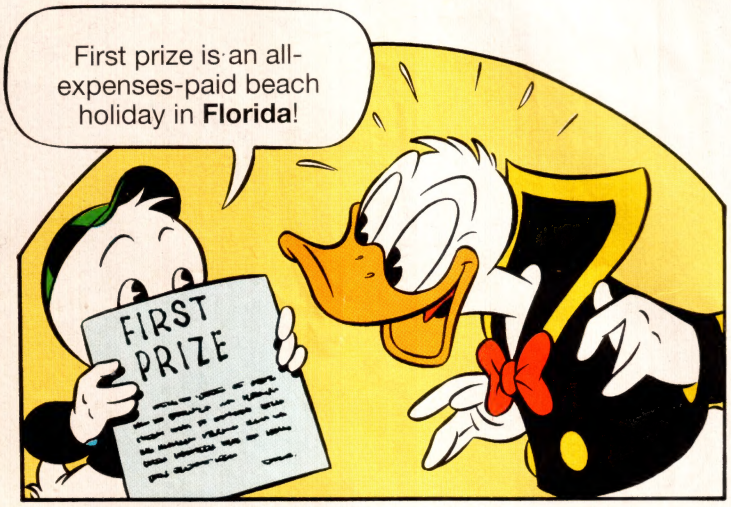
36 TO 50 POINTS

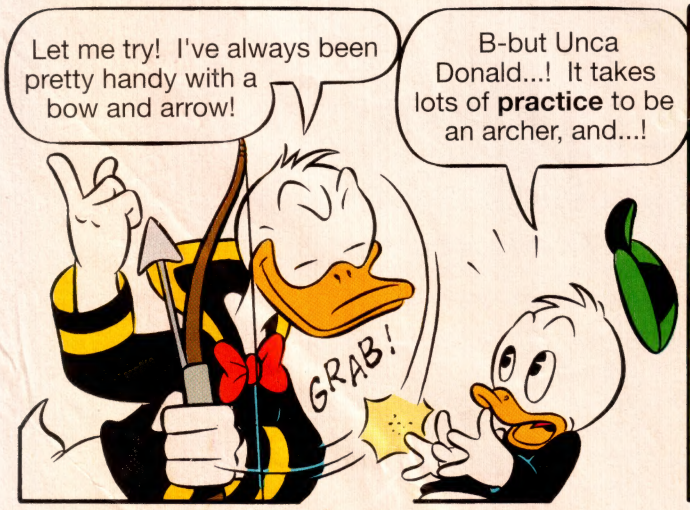
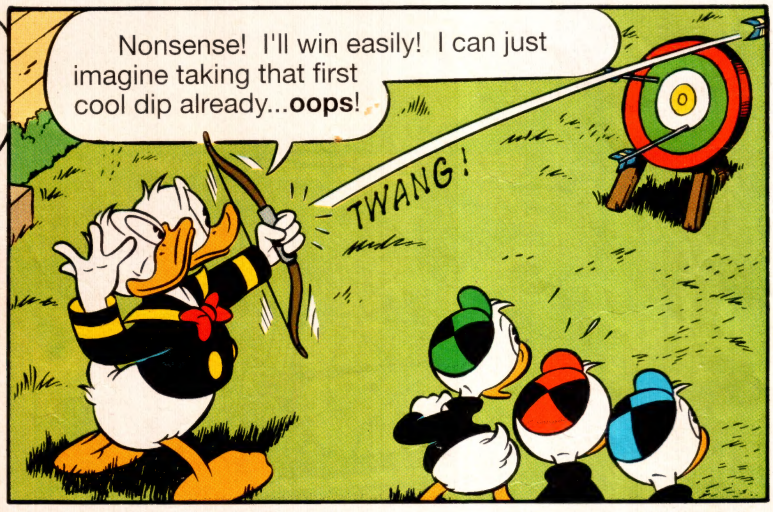
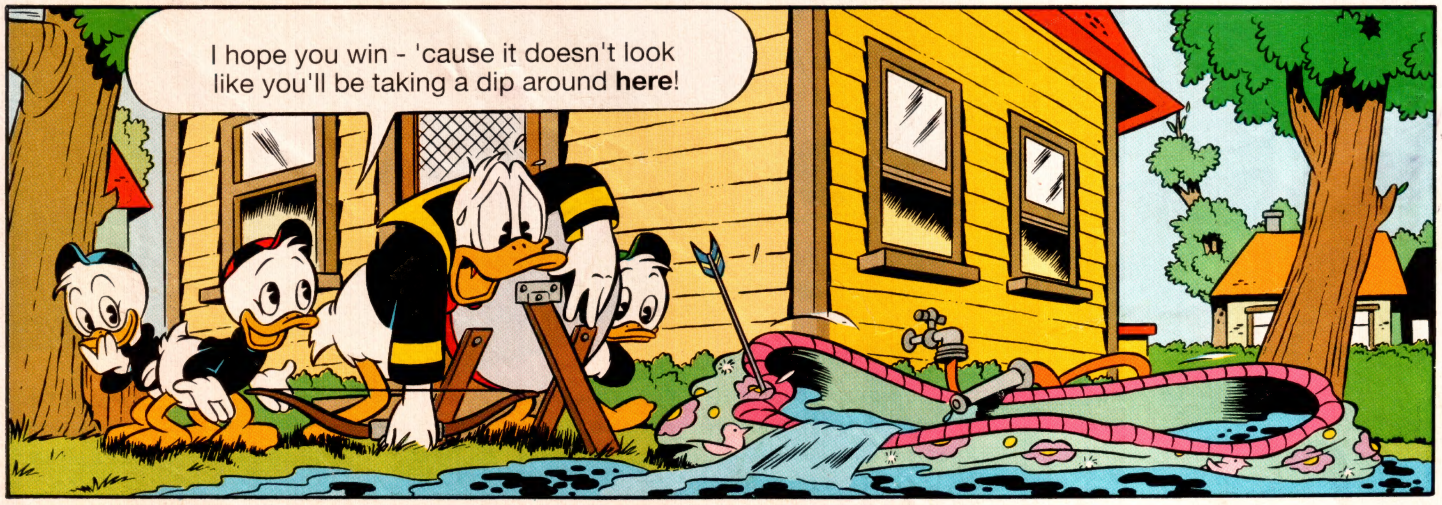
O.K., Rambo - here's your bravery medal! You're the world's number one risk taker, first in the line of fire, in the front row when danger's about. If you survive you'll be a hero/heroine - but you may need nine lives just like the crazy cat you are!

DONALD DUCK

First Prize!






Let me try! I've always been pretty handy with a bow and arrow!
B-but Unca Donald...! It takes lots of **practice** to be an archer, and...!
GRAB!